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Sir:

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Official Action mailed January 2, 2002.

The Official Action did not, however, include an initialed Form PTO-1449 acknowledging the Information Disclosure Statement filed March 2, 1999. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner evidence consideration of the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement of March 2, 1999 by providing a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449.

If a conference would be beneficial in expediting the prosecution of the instant application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to arrange such a conference.

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